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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

YANOFSKY and LILJEGREN

Application No.: 09/978,382

Filed: October 15, 2001

For: SELECTIVE CONTROL OF  
LIGNIN BIOSYNTHESIS IN  
TRANSGENIC PLANTS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 4575

Examiner: AD Mehta

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1638

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**An Amendment to the Drawings** is described on page 6 of this paper and includes an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.